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IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for using a topology editor to prescribe a device notified in response to an event related to the operation of a data network and said event comprising the steps of:

defining said event pertaining to said operation of a data network, wherein said operation concerns the status of the data network or a device of said data network;

assigning <u>a group consisting of a plurality of devices</u> at least one device of said data network to said event by use of said topology editor;

assigning a rule to said event, wherein said rule defines at least one condition for triggering a notification of said event to said assigned device, and

said condition is to be activated when matched to a notification of the operation of said data network.

Claim 2 (cancelled)

3. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 2, wherein the topology editor controls an SNMP <u>Simple Network Management Protocol</u> manager that transmits SNMP <u>a Simple Network Management Protocol</u> trap in response to an activated rule.

Claim 4 (cancelled)

5. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein an event group is defined for assigning a second device to said event by using said topology editor.

6. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 5, wherein said <u>device and said second device</u> devices of said event group are notified with an action provider when said condition is matched to said notification.

7. (Original) The method of claim 6, wherein said notification is rendered in view

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of a severity option.

8. (Currently Amended) A method for using a topology editor to notify a ~~group of~~
<u>devices</u> ~~device~~ in response to an event related to the operation of a data network
comprising the steps of:

receiving a notification related to the operation of the data network, wherein said
operation is related to a status of the data network or a device of the data network;

comparing said notification to a condition of a rule;

notifying ~~said~~ <u>a defined group of devices</u> ~~device~~ associated with said event with an action
provider, wherein ~~said~~ association with said ~~device~~ <u>defined group</u> and said event ~~was~~ <u>is</u>
defined by use of said topology editor.

Claim 9 (cancelled)

10. (Currently Amended) The method of claim <u>8</u>~~9~~, wherein said topology editor
controls an ~~SNMP~~ <u>Simple Network Management Protocol</u> manager that transmits ~~SNMP~~
<u>Simple Network Management Protocol</u> trap in response to an activated rule.

11. (Original) The method of claim 8, wherein an event group is defined for
assigning a second device to said event by using said topology editor.

12. (Original) The method of claim 11, wherein the devices of said event group are
notified with the action provider upon the matching of said condition of said rule to said
notification.

13. (Original) The method of claim 8, wherein said topology editor operates with
in view of a consumer electronics enabled interoperability standard.

14. (Original) The method of claim 8, wherein said topology editor is used to
control an action manager for controlling the operation of said device in view of a second
action provider.

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